

**Lecture and book signing with
KRISTEN IVERSEN, author of *Full Body Burden: Growing up in the
Nuclear Shadow of Rocky Flats***

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 7:00 P.M.

Superior Pointe North,

1000 S. McCaslin Blvd., Superior, CO.

First Floor Auditorium, Key Equipment Finance Bldg.

Hosted by: The Town of Superior

Please note space is limited and will be filled on a first-come basis.

Chosen as one of the Best Nonfiction Books of 2012 by Kirkus Reviews, one of the Best Books About Justice by *The Atlantic*, and a Barnes & Noble Great Writers selection.

From 1952 to 1992, the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant, a few miles south of Superior, produced more than 70,000 plutonium pits for nuclear bombs, the heart of every nuclear weapon in the United States. Local residents and workers were largely kept in the dark for decades about radioactive contamination of air, water, and soil, until the Department of Energy eventually conceded that Rocky Flats was the most contaminated site in the country. In 2001, Congress authorized the conversion of the land to a wildlife refuge; an expedited cleanup concluded in 2005. However, the Rocky Flats story is not over. Decisions made now will have long-term ongoing health and environmental implications for the entire Denver metro area.

Plutonium, which is most dangerous when inhaled as airborne dust, exists both on and off-site. The Rocky Flats Wildlife Refuge is slated to eventually open for public recreation, including hiking and biking. Home and business development in the area continues on land surrounding Rocky Flats, particularly on the southern edge (where measurable contamination exists). A proposed toll road along the eastern edge of the site will spur further development. All these activities could pose a health threat to local residents. The Town of Superior has requested a court-ordered full environmental impact study before breaking ground on the toll road.

We invite you to join celebrated author Kristen Iversen as she discusses the ten-year journey of researching and writing *Full Body Burden* and uncovering the details and significance of a story that has long been hidden. What do we need to know to protect our own futures, and what can be done now? To read more about *Full Body Burden* or Kristen Iversen please visit www.kristeniversen.com.

